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Synthes (U.S.A.) hereby states that it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest of the above-identified application. The assignment of the above-identified application from the inventors to Synthes GmbH was recorded on August 17, 2006 and assigned Reel/Frame No. 018222/0017. The assignment from Synthes GmbH to Synthes (U.S.A.) was recorded on July 26, 2007 and assigned Reel/Frame No. 019612/0384.

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